श्री जसवंत सिंह: उपसभापति जी, इस रपट के मिलने के बाद 5 मार्च, 2001 को सभी राज्य वित्तीय निगमों को ये सुझाव भिजवाए गए। उसके बाद वित्त मंत्रालय के बैंकिंग डिविजन के साथ चर्चा के दो राउंड हो चुके हैं। पहली मीटिंग 14 मार्च, 2000 को हुई थी। उसमें आईडीबीआई, सिडबी और राज्य वित्तीय निगमों के कुछ प्रतिनिधि थे। उसके बाद एक और मीटिंग 11 सितम्बर, 2001 को हुई। उसमें आईडीबीआई, सिडबी के अलावा रिजर्व बैंक और मिनिस्ट्री ऑफ स्माल स्केल इंडस्ट्री को भी हमनें सम्मिलित किया। जो मुख्य प्रश्न या पहलू इन सभी चर्चाओं में से उभरे, वे ये थे कि भारत सरकार या रिजर्व बैंक का जो इन वित्तीय संस्थाओं के रि-कैपिटलाइजेशन का प्रश्न है उसमें रिजर्व बैंक या भारत सरकार योगदान नहीं दे पाएगी। इसके अलावा जो कुछ संकेत हमें राज्य वित्तीय निगमों से मिले हैं उसकी इतनी विशेष आवश्यकता नहीं थी फिर यह कहना है कि जो राज्य सरकारें हैं वे भी अपनी खुद की माली हालत को देखते हुए इस दिशा में जाने के लिए बहुत संकोच कर रही हैं।

Exploration of oil and natural gas in Krishna-Godawari basin

*202. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of exploration of oil and natural gas in Krishna-Godawari basin in Andhra Pradesh by ONGC;

(b) whether any headway has been achieved in finding oil and gas reserves in the basin; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table.

Statement

(a) to (c) Besides acquiring 32,574 Ground Line Kms. (GLK) of 2D and 19,799 GLK of 3D of seismic data, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) has drilled 323 exploratory and 27 development wells in Krishna-Godavari (KG) onland basin in the State of Andhra Pradesh as on 01.10.2002. These exploratory efforts of ONGC in Andhra Pradesh have led to the discovery of 41 hydrocarbon finds, of which 8 are oil and gas finds and 33 are gas finds. Further, as on 01.04.2002, from these finds ONGC has established 56.5 Million Metric Tonnes (MMT) ultimate reserves of oil and oil equivalent gas (O+OEG), of which 51.7 Billion Cubic Metres (BCM) are ultimate gas reserves.

In addition to the above onland areas, ONGC has acquired 46,650

Line Kms. (LKM) of 2D and 81,819 LKM of 3D seismic data and has drilled 104 exploratory wells in KG offshore. The exploration efforts by ONGC in these offshore areas have resulted in 8 hydrocarbon finds, of which 4 are oil and gas finds and 4 are gas finds. As on 01.04.2002, ONGC has established from these finds, 9.3 MMT of ultimate reserves of O+OEG, of which 6.5 BCM are ultimate gas reserves. Further, in 1980s ONGC had made 2 more discoveries namely G-2 and Ravva field. The G-2 discovery in deepwater was relinquished by ONGC being non-commercial and Ravva field in shallow water is operating under joint venture, in which ONGC has a 40% participating interest.

DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Madam, the first part of my supplementary is, I would like to know from the hon. Minister by when the exact commercial exploitation of these reserves will start. Is there any time-bound programme to start commercial exploitation?

The second part of my supplementary is, whether the Ministry has earmarked any percentage of oil that is going to be explored in the State of Andhra Pradesh to the State of Andhra Pradesh so that industrialisation of Andhra Pradesh can be improved.

SHRI RAM NAIK: Madam, as far as time-bound programme is concerned, I would say that every block is allotted to a party. The awardee, while submitting its bid, gives their phase-wise programme. The committee, headed by the Director-General of Hydrocarbons, look into the issue whether it is going as per schedule. As far as allotment of blocks under NELP 1, 2 and 3 and so far as exploration in Krishna-Godavari Basin is concerned, it is going as per the schedule.

The second part of the supplementary put by the hon. Member is whether any gas is earmarked for Andhra Pradesh. According to the New Exploration Licensing Policy, the awardee is free to sell it on commercial basis at commercial rates. So, as such, there is no directive from the Government of India. But, since the gas has been found in Andhra Pradesh, naturally, the oil would be cheaper in Andhra Pradesh. I see a picture that the way Gujarat has been benefited by having gas reserves in Gujarat and in the western shore, the maximum beneficiary, in this case, would be Andhra Pradesh.

DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Madam, I need the data of the last two years as to what has been the production of crude oil and gas, separately. My second supplementary is, have you paid any royalty to Andhra Pradesh in the form of natural gas and crude oil?

SHRI RAM NAIK: Madam, the information regarding the exact quantity produced is not available right now. I will supply the information to the hon. Member. The royalty that is payable, as on now, has been paid, and is being paid, and will also be paid, as per the schedule that had been finalised.

SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Madam Deputy Chairperson, the hon. Minister, in his reply, has stated, "The ONGC has a 40 per cent participating interest." I would like to know who are those participants who are exploring the gas. Is there any proposal with the ONGC for its effective utilisation?

SHRI RAM NAIK: Madam, there are four other partners in the joint venture. I would send the names of those partners to the hon. Members. And, wherever gas comes out would be supplied through the grid. There is a gas Linkage Committee. That Committee decides as to whom the gas has to be supplied, on the basis of demand which had been given to the Committee.

डा. अलादी पी. राजकुमार: महोदया, आपके माध्यम से मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूं कि इन्होंने अभी-अभी अपने उत्तर में कहा है कि एक रूल बना है कि जो प्राइवेट कंपनीज हैं, जो गैस निकालती हैं, वे स्वेच्छा से, मनमाने ढंग से रेट फिक्स कर सकती हैं। क्या इस पर कोई पाबंदी है कि मनमाने ढंग से रेट फिक्स करने में गवर्नमेंट का हाथ रहेगा? क्या कंट्रोल रहेगा? यह मैं जानना चाहता हूं।

श्री राम नाईक: मैंने मनमानी नहीं कहा, मैंने कमर्शियल कंसीडरेशन कहा है। इसका मतलब यह होता है कि बेचने वाला बेचता है और लेने वाला लेता है।

डा. अलादी पी. राजकुमार: मैडम, मतलब तो वही है। जो उनका डिक्टेशन है वह कारटेल बन गया तो वह जनता के ऊपर पड़ता है।

श्री राम नाईक: इसमें कोई हाई प्रोफिटियरिंग नहीं करेगा।

डा. अलादी पी. राजकुमार: वही तो मैं पूछ रहा हूं कंट्रोल है क्या यहां पर?

श्री राम नाईक: मैं बता रहा हूं कि इसमें हाई प्राफिटियरिंग नहीं करेगा, यह देखने का काम जो बोर्ड बनेगा, वह करेगा। जब तक रेग्युलेटरी बोर्ड नहीं बनता है because the Bill has been submitted to Parliament, and it is yet to be passed. But as long as the Bill is not passed, and it does not become an Act, whatever work is expected to be done by the Board, the Ministry will be doing that.

महानगरों के हवाई अड्डों को विश्वस्तरीय स्वरूप देना

*203. **श्री मोती लाल वोरा:** क्या नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने देश के चारों महानगरों के हवाई अड्डों को विश्वस्तरीय स्वरुप देने का निर्णय किया है;